GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
LOK SABHA

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FTA Negotiations
Scindia Shri Jyotiraditya Madhavrao

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the European Union (EU) has expressed willingness to re-engage with India on negotiations regarding the proposed Free Trade Agreement with investment protection pact;
(b) if so, the details thereof along with the reaction of the Government thereto;
(c) the details of the countries with whom India is having FTA with or without any conditions, country-wise; and
(d) the extent to which those countries are properly following the conditions laid down by the Government?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)
(SMT. NIRMALA SITHARAMAN)

(a) & (b) Yes Madam. The European Union (EU) has expressed willingness to re-engage with India in India-EU Broad based Bilateral Trade and Investment Agreement (BTIA) negotiations subject to certain conditions. India is willing to resume the negotiations without any pre conditions and awaiting a response from the EU side. India is committed to an early and balanced outcome of the India-EU BTIA negotiations.

(c) The details of the Free Trade Agreements (FTAs) entered into by India is as per Annexure.

(d) The FTA partners are bound to comply with the provisions of the agreement.

Annexure
FTAs already in force

SN Name of the Agreement Countries
1 India - Sri Lanka Free Trade Agreement (FTA) Sri Lanka
2 Agreement on South Asian Free Trade Area (SAFTA)
India, Pakistan, Nepal, Sri Lanka, Bangladesh, Bhutan, the Maldives and Afghanistan
3 Revised Agreement of Cooperation between Government of India and Nepal to control unauthorized trade Nepal
4 India - Bhutan Agreement on Trade Commerce and Transit Bhutan
5 India - Thailand Free Trade Agreement - Early Harvest Scheme (EHS) Thailand
6 India - Singapore Comprehensive Economic Cooperation Agreement (CECA) Singapore
7 India - Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN)- Comprehensive Economic Cooperation Agreement (CECA) - Trade in Goods, Services and Investment Agreement Brunei, Cambodia, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand and Vietnam
8 India - South Korea Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement (CEPA) South Korea
9 India - Japan Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement (CEPA) Japan
10 India - Malaysia Comprehensive Economic Cooperation Agreement (CECA) Malaysia